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PRESENT

"THE GYPSY ROVER"

A MUSICAL COMEDY IN THREE ACTS

STAGED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MISS ZOE GORE

THE CAST—(As You Meet Them)

Rob, afterwards Sir Gilbert Howe.....Earl Tormey
Sinfu, gypsy lad in love with Zara.....William Fox
Meg, an old gypsy woman (Rob's foster mother).....Katherine McChesney
Marto, Meg's husband.....Maxwell Adams
Zara, the belle of the gypsy camp.....Margaret Holbrook
Lord Craven, engaged to Lady Constance.....Leonard Harrington
Lady Constance, daughter of Sir Geo. Martindale.....Madeline Brown
Sir Geo. Martindale, an English country gentleman.....Curtis Roberson
Nina, Sir Geo.'s second daughter.....Ruth Weiss
Capt. Jerome, captain in English army.....Thurman Hart
Sir Toby Lyon, a society butterfly.....James Tormey
McCorkle, a song publisher of London.....Leland Maybach
Lackey.....Jack Van Houten
A chorus of gypsies, Dames, Squires, etc.
Gypsy children.

SYNOPSIS

ACT 1—A Gypsy Camp near London. Morning.
ACT 2—A room in the home of Sir Geo. 2 weeks later.
ACT 3—Same as Act 2. Two years later.
Time—Modern.

THE STAFF

Business Manager.....Carlie Gilstrap
Stage Manager.....Raleigh Meyers
Costume Managers.....Amelia Siegenthaler and Pierre Mills
Head Usher.....Eather Wall
Accompanist.....Esther Wall

Grateful acknowledgement is extended to the Art Classes, the Manual Training department, Ormandy Bros. and the Multnomah Theater.

The Senior Play will be staged soon.

PARENT-TEACHERS DAY, SITTON SCHOOL

The following Christmas program will be given at the Sitton School on Parent-Teacher Day, Thursday, December 21st, at 1:00 p. m.

Christmas Greetings.....Eleanor Windle, Walter Orchard, Minta Stoop
Christmas Anthem.....Mrs. Dahl's Pupils
Recitation.....James Bilyew
"The Pied Piper of Hamelin".....Miss Toering's Pupils
Christmas Song.....Mildred Knowles, Florence Sorsby, Bettie Johnson
Recitation.....Billie Miles
"Last Year's Dollies".....Mrs. Hickam's Pupils
"Toyland"—A Play.....First Grade
"The Up-to-Date Santa Claus"—Play.....Miss Reser's Pupils
"The Dolls' Farewell" Play.....
Mr. Santa Claus.....Wilbur Clark
Mrs. Santa Claus.....Jennie Albee
"Kris Kringle's Song".....Chas. Harris, Roland DeRieux, Floy d'Gden
Play—"A Xmas Pastime".....Eighth Grade
Mother.....Leona Tetzlaff
Father.....Arthur Morey
Children.....Dorcia Pigg, Elaine Poe, Wilbert Milbrandt, Tommie Monroe.
"Keep the Carol Ringing".....Eighth Grade

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A surprising miscellaneous shower was given at the home of Mrs. Alfred Arronson, 528 E. Charleston street, Friday evening in the honor of her sister, Mrs. Lloyd E. Gillett, who was married a short time ago. The dining room was decorated in pink and white crepe paper and in the center of the room hung a large white bell to which small cards were fastened with hearty congratulations. White chrysanthemums were the flowers used. A buffet luncheon was served, including a wedding cake. Mrs. Gillett was the recipient of many beautiful and useful gifts. The evening was spent with music and card playing, all leaving at a late hour, wishing them much happiness. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gillett, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hedlin and daughter Mabe Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. G. MacCoach, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Thompson and daughter Layon, Mr. and Mrs. C. Backstrom, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Batdorff, Mrs. W. L. Young, Miss Gena Balke, Mr. H. E. Edwards, Mr. W. L. Payne, Miss Rita Beavers, Mr. and Mrs. A. Arronson and son Alfred.

OUR ROADS AND STREETS

The state of California has spent upwards of \$100,000,000 on its paved highway system. It has been building these roads for the past ten years and if experience proves anything, it seems to have clearly demonstrated that 4 and 5 inch concrete pavement is a failure from the standpoint of sustaining modern traffic.

Not only California, but other states seem to ignore paying results on the heaviest travelled city streets.

No highway commission should have the power to lay millions of dollars worth of hard surface pavement of a type that has never previously been tested under actual road conditions for a period of at least five years.

When the public is forced to pay twice for the same piece of road work, first the original cost and second, maintenance cost to keep the road passable, it means that necessary new road work is not being done.

Cities have long ago demonstrated that a road, in order to withstand the impact of traffic must be constructed with the idea of absorbing shocks. They have learned that a non-shock absorbing road surface or base will go to pieces under the grind and jar of moving vehicles.

Let us have done with politics in road building and get down to engineering principles.

Instead of permitting highway commissions to expend millions of tax money to carry out their own experiments on public highways, confine these public expenditures to paying for tested or guaranteed classes of construction.

TRAGEDY RECIPE

Take one reckless, natural born fool.
Two or three big drinks of bad liquor.
A fast, high-powered motor car.
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CARD GAMES AT CHRISTMAS

Thin Pasteboards Afford Means of Entertainment in England During Yuletide Season.



UNIVERSAL Christmas custom of England in olden times was playing at cards. Persons who never touched a card at any other season of the year felt bound to play a few games at Christmas.

A prohibitory statute of Henry VII's reign forbade card playing save during the Christmas holidays. Of course this prohibition extended only to persons of humble rank.

Sir Roger De Coverley took care to provide both creature comfort and amusement for his neighbors at Christmas by sending "a string of hog's puddings and a pack of cards" to every poor family in the parish.

Even the pulpit comes in for its share of anecdotes regarding playing cards. Fuller gives an example of a clergyman preaching from Romans 12:3, "As God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith." The reverend gentleman in question adopted as an illustration of his discourse the metaphor of "dealing" as applied to cards, reminding his congregation that they should follow suit, ever play above board, improve the gifts dealt out to them, take care of their trumps, play promptly when it came their turn, etc.

Short notes were frequently written on the backs of playing cards. In an old collection of poetry is found the following lines:

"To a Lady Who Sent Her Compliments to a Clergyman on the Ten of Hearts.
"Your compliments, dear lady, pray forbear,
"Old English services are more sincere;
"You send ten hearts—the tithe is only mine,
"Give me but one and burn the other nine."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS TREE

History of the Yuletide Emblem Extends Far Into the Mists of Antiquity.

THE history of Christmas tree usage extends far into the mists of antiquity. Some say its origin is connected with the legendary Tree of Time. Yggdrasil, the great tree of Norse mythology, within whose roots and branches heaven and earth are bound. Some say the custom may be traced to the Egyptians who, at the time of the winter solstice, decorated their portals with branches of the date palm.

To a Scandinavian legend may perhaps be traced our custom of illuminating the tree when darkness comes. Among the Greeks, Christmas is known as the feast of lights.

To people of different localities today the term Christmas tree may mean fir, spruce, pine, cedar or even magnolia, for each particular region makes use of the most suitable species that is to be found near its markets. In the vicinity of the mid-west, a short-needle pine found in Michigan and Wisconsin may be used. On the Pacific coast the white fir finds favor, while throughout Ohio, the Norway spruce is largely used. In Maryland and Virginia, the scrub pine and farther south cedar and holly. Best of all is the symmetrical balsam fir, each tiny leaf of which sends out a breath of aromatic fragrance.

AN OLD CHRISTMAS CUSTOM

Village Boys in North England Reproduce Play That Is as Old as the Race.

IN THE North of England some of the oldest of our Christmas customs are still faithfully observed. One of the quaintest is that of the village boys who call themselves "The Mummers." At Christmas time they perform a little play that is as old as the English race.

There are three chief characters—St. George, resplendent in silver-paoped armor, and brandishing a wooden sword; Beelzebub, who is, of course, the famous dragon; and the Doctor, who wears a battered top-hat.

At the beginning of the play it is announced that the countryside is being laid waste by Beelzebub. Various minor characters make an appeal for deliverance from the monster's sway. Then St. George hursts upon the scene. A fierce battle takes place, in which he slays Beelzebub, but is himself badly wounded. At this point the Doctor rushes in with a bottle, which he places to the saint's lips.

"Tak soon o' mah niff-naff dahn thy tiff-taff," he prescribes. So George drinks and is cured.
Some of the words used in the play are so old that neither the boys nor the majority of the audience can understand them.

OLD STORY.
What did your Mother say when I didn't come home until late last night?
She said "Just wait till after Christmas, I'll fix him!"

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"COME AN' GONE!"

IN THE days before prohibition, an old southern arkay was wont to celebrate Christmas with a quiet and solitary bottle of liquor. Upon one occasion he was going home with his prize under his arm, when he stumbled on the curbstone. The bottle slipped, fell and broke, spilling the contents all over the pavement.

The old dorky regarded the catastrophe with gentle mournfulness.
"Dere, now," he murmured.
"Christmas come an' gone!"

CHRISTMAS DAY IN ICELAND

Natives Still Cling to Old Customs and Songs; Day Is One of Great Happiness.

SUCH a strong-winged thing is Christmas Cheer that it has taken itself even to that isolated island of the far north, where the shortest day is four hours long, and where at Christmas time the sun does not rise above the horizon for a week.

Christmas is a great day with the people of Iceland and they still cling to all their old customs and songs and the day to them is one of great happiness.

One of their favorite old songs is filled with simplicity that is touching and yet gives a glimpse of a philosophy of life that is pretty fine:
When I go good and think aright
At peace with man, resigned to God,
Thou lookst on me with eyes of light,
Tasting new joys in joy's abode.

The Gambler's Paradise.

It looks as if half the population of New South Wales and Queensland will be getting its living presently by gambling in one way or another with the other half. Dr. Arthur, M.I.A., of the former state, remarked recently that "in spite of the financial depression and unprecedented unemployment, though all productive industry languished last year—factories closed, mines ceased working and land-settlement nearly came to a halt—the returns from the tax on admission to racecourses, from the totalizer and from bookmakers' tickets have all increased."—Sydney Bulletin.

Let the Review print that stationery for the New Year.

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Smoking Car for Women.

"Smokers" for women now make their appearance on British trains, notes the Scientific American. Women have been crowding the men's compartments to an uncomfortable degree—not, officials say, because they want to ride with the men, but because they insist on smoking while traveling.

Plural Husbands in Tibet.

Polyandry, or plural husbands, is one of the peculiar institutions of Tibet. One woman may have as many as half a dozen husbands at the same time.

Self Starter for Planes.

English inventors have developed a self starter for airplanes that is operated by an aviator pulling a lever from his seat.

Island Rich in Verdure.

St. Lucia, the largest of the Windward islands, is twenty-four miles long, and at its widest is twelve miles in breadth. It has an area of 233 square miles. The island is mountainous, and its highest point is 3,145 feet above sea level, while the land is mostly covered with trees and the rapidly growing vegetation of the tropics. Castries, the capital, has a fine port. In 1921 the number of inhabitants of St. Lucia was 51,503.

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